



# FUNDING ALERT



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## Federal Opportunities

**LAST CALL. Field Initiated Projects.** *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities. Eligible applicants include states, public or private agencies, for-profit agencies/organizations, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is December 9, 2003. Approximately \$4.5 million is available to fund 30 awards up to \$150,000. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 205-5880 or [donna.nangle@ed.gov](mailto:donna.nangle@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-24299.htm>.

**REMINDER: National HIV Training and Technical Assistance Cooperative Agreements.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* announces funds to assist people working with Ryan White CARE Act funded programs, and other programs with an interest in HIV/AIDS, to understand and put into action the requirements of the CARE Act and research based best practices for high quality, comprehensive HIV primary care and support service delivery to people living with HIV/AIDS. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, faith, and community-based organizations. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOI) was November 15, 2003. The deadline for applications is December 19, 2003. Approximately \$1.35 million is

available to fund 5 awards. For further information, contact Angela Powell at (301) 443-5761 or [apowell@hrsa.gov](mailto:apowell@hrsa.gov); or go to: <http://www.fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/HRSA/GAC/HRSA-04-044/listing.html>.

## District Opportunities

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at [http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtml](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml) for the following notices:

*The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)*, due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

*The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D)*, due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

*The DC Department of Health (DOH)/Preventive Health Services Administration (PHSA), Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant For FY04*, due December 17, 2003, by 4:45pm.

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates*, due December 26, 2003.

*The DC Commission on National and Community Service, K-12 Learn and Serve – Community-Based Grants*, due January 5, 2004.

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*The DC Commission on National and Community Service, K-12 Learn and Serve – School-Based Grants, due January 5, 2004.*

*The DC Commission on National and Community Service, AmeriCorps Grants, due January 5, 2004, at 5pm.*

## Foundation Opportunities

**Internet Access.** *Verizon Foundation* provides e-grants for Internet access so that organizations can make use of online communications such as e-mail, online searches, fundraising, communicating with new donors or potential donors, discussion groups, and virtual newsletters. Eligible applicants include nonprofits currently without Internet access that are served by Verizon Communications. Applicants' work should address one or more of the Foundation's priority areas: literacy, workforce development and community technology development. Priority is given to smaller organizations with annual budgets under \$500,000. There are no deadlines for applications. Grants of up to \$240 are available. To request a faxable application form, send an e-mail to [verizon.foundation@verizon.com](mailto:verizon.foundation@verizon.com) or send a fax requesting an application form to (212) 840-6988; or apply online at: <http://foundation.verizon.com/06003c.shtml>.

**Music Education.** *The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation (MHOF)* supports music education and its many benefits through the donation and repair of musical instruments to under-served schools and community music program. Eligible applicants include K-12 school music programs for the Melody Program and community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras for the Special Projects Program. There are no deadlines for applications. MHOF does not make cash awards. Grants of repairs and new instruments typically range between \$500-\$5,000 in retail value. Application forms are available on the MHOF website. For further information, contact MHOF at 15125 Ventura Blvd. Suite 204, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403, (818) 784-6787, (818) 784-6788-fax, or [info@mhopus.org](mailto:info@mhopus.org); or go to: <http://www.mhopus.org/default.htm>.

**Women and Smoking.** *The American Legacy Foundation (Legacy)* announces the availability of grant funds to support the Circle of Friends

movement in local communities throughout the U.S. Grants funded by this program will help organizations support women trying to quit smoking. All successful grant projects must include a strong social support component and incorporate Legacy-produced cessation materials, themes, and broader materials into the project. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadlines for applications are January 30 and April 30, 2004. Organizations may request up to \$75,000 per year for up to two years. A cash or in-kind match is strongly encouraged but not required for the first year of funding. A 2:3 cash match is required for second-year funding. Planning grants of up to \$25,000 are also available. The foundation uses an online application system. If you are unable to complete the application online, please contact the grants department at (202) 454-5555 to receive an application by mail. For further information, go to: <http://www.americanlegacy.org/americanlegacy/skins/alf/home.aspx>.

## Resources & Announcements

**DC Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).** *The Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative, the DC Earned Income Tax Credit Campaign and the District Government* are sponsoring an Outreach Kickoff Fair to outline how important the EITC is to low-income working families. The Fair will be held on December 3, 1-3pm, at the Thurgood Marshall Center, 1816 12th St., NW, 1st Floor. To register, contact the DC Fiscal Policy Institute at (202) 408-1080 or [Pierre@dcfpi.org](mailto:Pierre@dcfpi.org).

**Grant Review Opportunity.** *The DC Commission on National and Community Service* is seeking individuals to review grant proposals for the 2004 AmeriCorps\*State program and K-12 Learn and Serve School and Community-Based program funding competitions. Reviewers read, score and evaluate proposals, discuss their findings with a small group of fellow reviewers and a facilitator, and, as a panel, come to consensus to rank the proposals according to quality. Reviewers must be comfortable reading a large volume of material in a short period of time and providing analysis in a small group. Eligible applicants include experienced professionals from the national service community and other disciplines. The deadline for applications is

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December 10, 2003. Reviewers must be available on the following dates: January 6, 2004; January 13-14, 2004. To apply, please send your resume to Cliffie Bailey at DC Commission on National and Community Service, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1040S, Washington, DC 20001; [cliffie.bailey@dc.gov](mailto:cliffie.bailey@dc.gov); or (202) 727-9198-fax.

**Grants Announcements.** *Grants.gov*, the new online clearinghouse of Federal government-wide grant opportunities, allows you to sign up to receive grants announcements via e-mail. After subscribing, you will receive announcements of both new grants and modifications of existing grant announcements. You may select to receive all grant notices or you may narrow your selection based on: funding number; selected agencies and categories of funding activities; or interest and eligibility requirements. To sign up for these notices, go to: [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov), find Grant Opportunities, Receive Grant Opportunity Notification.

**Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).** *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

**Request for Participation.** *Immigration and Refugee Services of America (IRSA)*, a national refugee service agency, is preparing to launch a Citizenship Initiative in partnership with the Corporation for National and Community Service's (CNCS) AmeriCorps program. This Initiative will help promote community involvement in the naturalization of new Americans, as well as new

Americans' involvement in their communities. IRSA will select 6-12 organizations through a competitive application process. The selected sites will work with IRSA, beginning January 2004, to develop a strategy for this Initiative and plan for placement of AmeriCorps members who will start in the fall. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is December 19, 2003, at 5pm. For further information, contact IRSA at [citizenship@irsa-uscr.org](mailto:citizenship@irsa-uscr.org) or call Juliane Ramic at (202) 797-2105 x 3124; or go to: [www.refugeesusa.org](http://www.refugeesusa.org).

**Safe Drinking Water.** *The DC Water and Sewer Authority (WASA)* will host a public meeting to discuss and solicit public comments on WASA's Safe Drinking Water Act projects, specifically Lead Service Replacements 2004-1 and Lead Service Replacements 2005-1. The Safe Drinking Water Act provides for WASA to receive a portion of its funding through grants. WASA will submit grant applications to EPA for federal funding of these projects. The meeting will take place on December 17, 2003, 6:30-8:30pm, Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street, NW, Washington, DC. Information about these projects is available at the MLK Library. For further information, contact WASA's Public Affairs Office at (202) 787-2200.

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